is an exempted establishment under section 17 (1) (a) of the EPF and Miscellanous Provisions Act, 1952, had failed to transfer provident Fund conditions amounting to Rs. 1.29 crore to their Board of Trustees, for the period from March, 1981 to to December, 1983;

(b) The Regional provident Fund Commissioner has filed prosecutions against the company and its management under Section 14 (2A) of the EPF and Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952. He as also issued a show cause notice to them for concellation of exemption. In the meanwhile, the management have paid a sum of Rs. .04 crores leaving a balance of Rs. 25 lakhs as on 4-2-1985;

(c) Does not arise.

Production of Coins

172. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of coins of different denominations produced in different mints of the country during the current financial year;

(b) what is the number of coins of different denominations imported from foreign countries;

(c) what is the mode of disbursement of coins for the use of general public;

(d) whether Government aware that shortage of coins still prevails in the country; and

(e) if so, what further steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) The denomination wise production of coins in the India Government Mints in the current financial year (from 1st April 1984 to 15th February 1986) is indicated below:

Denominations	Quantity (Figures in million pieces)
Rs. 5/-	26.01
Rs. 1/-	348.21
50 Paise	350.48
25 Paise	237.16
20 Paise.	402.34
10 Paise	402.33
5 Paise	54.34
TOTAL	1820.77

(b) The position as on 15th February, 1986 is:

Denomination	(Figures in million Pieces Quantity
Rupee 1/-	542.17
50 Paise	445.35
25 Paise	109.57
TOTAL	1097.09

(c) Coins minted in India and those imported from abroad are handed over to the R.B.I. R.B.I. despatches coins to their Issue Offices and from there to the Coin depots numbering about 1800 from where Banks receive coins for distribution to the public. Government Departments like Railways, Posts and Telegraphs etc., also receive coins in bulk quantities from RBI for distribution .Besides, public sector banks also collect coins from RBI for distribution to the public.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) (i) Recently working hours in the Mints have been increased to 60 hours per shift per week in order to step up production. (ii) To meet the immediate shortage of Coins, steps have been taken to import coins from abroad.(iii) The existing Mints are being modernised (iv) A new Mint with an annual capacity of 2000 million pieces is being established at NOIDA, UP. It is expected that the Mint would be commissioned in 1988-89.